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August 18, 1988

Mr. Vernon Swearingin 629 N. Glenn Springfield, MO 65803

Dear Mr. Swearingin:

This is to confirm our conversation of August 17, 1988, regarding the handling of waste oil at your shop on North Glenn Street in Springfield and to advise you of the measures you need to take to come into compliance with the Hazardous Waste Law and Regulations.

As I had indicated, this office received an anonymous complaint regarding the improper disposal of waste oil at your shop. Upon investigating, it was noted that there had been a considerable amount of spillage and/or dumping of oil on the gravel parking lot and alongside the building near the drainage by the railroad tracks. The ponded water in the ditch along the tracks was covered with oil as was the vegetation on the sides of the ditch. There were pools of waste oil throughout the parking lot.

Please note that waste oil is now classified as a hazardous waste in the state of Missouri and must be handled in accordance with the Waste Oil Regulation, 10 CSR 25-11.010 (copy enclosed). This regulation states that waste oil shall not be introduced into the environment. Lot oiling, dumping or storing oil in a manner which allows it to enters a drainage ditch, and using waste oil to control vegetation are all considered introduction of the oil into the environment.

I have enclosed a waste oil generators registration form which you need to complete and submit to the address shown on the form within fifteen days of the date of this letter. A copy of the completed form must be submitted to this office.

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You must also begin immediately to properly store waste oil which you generate. You indicated during our conversation of August 17, 1988, that you would begin storing the oil in a three hundred gallon tank. You should make certain that the tank is kept closed so as to prevent rainwater from getting into the oil to contaminate it or possibly cause the tank to overflow.

Information on utilizing the waste oil in a resource recovery system and a copy of the Resource Recovery Regulation are also enclosed. Waste oil may be burned in approved heaters for energy recovery. If not utilized on-site in an approved manner, the waste oil must be disposed of through an approved facility.

We have not yet determined what actions must be taken regarding cleanup of the waste oil that has already been disposed of on the property. I suggest that you take appropriate measures to prevent further runoff of waste oil from the property into the drainage ditch. We will inform you of additional required actions if they are deemed necessary.

Your cooperation in getting these matters resolved will be appreciated and expected. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

SPRINGFIELD REGIONAL OFFICE

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